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"This may not be the answer to the problem. And the cost may be prohibitive if we can't work out a financing plan among all interested parties," Milliken said.

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Peace Conference Going Well?

Kissinger, Suharto Talk

PARIS (AP) — Henry A. Kissinger paid a brief visit to Brussels today to confer with President Suharto of Indonesia but scheduled more Vietnam peace negotiations this afternoon with North Vietnam's Le Duc Tho.

Indonesia is one of four coun-

tries that have been asked to supervise the cease-fire Kissinger and Tho are trying to work out. Presumably the U.S. presidential adviser went to Brussels to discuss this with Suharto, who is on a tour of European capitals.

Kissinger flew to Brussels

Tuesday night after his second meeting with Tho. He returned to Paris in the middle of the morning.

Kissinger called on Suharto and Foreign Minister Adam Malik shortly before 7:30 a.m. and talked with them about an hour.

An Indonesian spokesman said Kissinger came "on the instructions of President Nixon to convey to President Suharto the latest developments on Vietnam."

He declined to elaborate but called attention to reports that Hanoi and the Viet Cong at last

week's session of the regular semi-public peace talks in Paris had challenged the neutrality of Indonesia as a member of the proposed International Control Commission.

Pointing to the other three

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Chicago 'Five' Win Conviction Reversal

CHICAGO (AP) — Declaring that the trial judge took an "often antagonistic attitude toward the defense," a federal appeals court has overturned the conviction of five antiwar activists in the case of the Chicago 7.

The ruling Tuesday by the U.S. 7th Circuit Court of Appeals climaxed a controversial case which stems from street rioting during the week of the Democratic National Convention here in 1968.

The five antiwar activists who were convicted two years

ago of inciting the rioting were David T. Dellinger, 56; Rennie C. Davis, 32; Abbot "Abbie" Hoffman, 33; Jerry C. Rubin, 33; and Thomas E. Hayden, 32.

They were sentenced to five years in prison and fined \$5,000 each.

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The appeals court ruled that the government could retry the

defendants. But it added: "There is evidence in the record, which, if believed, and inferences favorable to the defendants drawn, would lead a jury to acquit."

Two other defendants in the case, Lee Weiner, 33, and John R. Froines, 32, were acquitted by the jury. All of the seven were acquitted of conspiring to incite the rioting.

An eighth defendant, Black Panther leader Bobby Seale, was severed from the case because of outbursts in the courtroom and the government declined to bring him to trial again. Among other things, Seale had called Judge Hoffman "a racist, fascist pig."

The prelude to the indictments was a convention week marked by marches and demonstrations, the demands and the militancy which led to the bloody beatings and confrontations between antiwar activists and police. There were vicious battles to clear the parks of demonstrators, the pelting of police with rocks and plastic bags filled with urine, the stenchbombling of Chicago's premier convention hotels, and the violent battle

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CONVICTIONS REVERSED: A federal court reversed Tuesday the convictions of five Chicago Seven defendants found guilty of crossing state lines in connection with inciting rioting during the 1968 Democratic National Convention in Chicago. Two judges said the constitutional rights of the defendants might have been violated by Judge Julius J. Hoffman, lower left. Defendants involved, are: top, left to right: Rennie O. Davis; David Dellinger and Jerry Rubin. Bottom: Thomas Hayden, center, and Abbie Hoffman, right. (AP Wirephoto)

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Police Warn Of Thin Ice

LANSING, Mich. (AP) — Michigan State Police have warned that early winter ice can be treacherously thin on lakes, streams and other outdoor water areas.

Police report ice breakthrough drownings have claimed the lives of three youngsters so far this month, two at Howell and another at Mancelona.

Police estimate that to bear human weight ice should be at least three inches thick. For snowmobiling the thickness should be four or more inches and for cars it should be from one to two feet in depth.

So far, police said, freezing weather generally has not been prolonged enough to produce reasonably safe thickness.

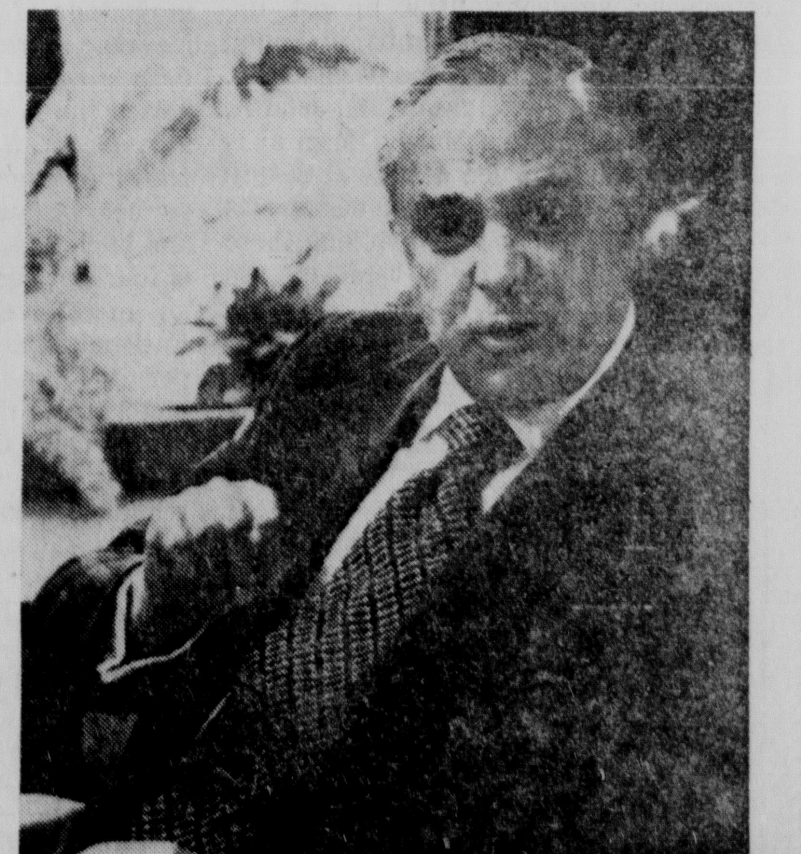
Ben Franklin Toy Town — Opens Thanksgiving Day 11 A.M. to 9 P.M. Adv.

Notice

This newspaper will not publish tomorrow, Thanksgiving Day.

City of St. Joseph rubbish collection scheduled for Thursday, Nov. 23, will be picked up Friday, Nov. 24. Adv.

"Mom's Apple Pie" at Shadowland, Sat. Nov. 25, 7-2 a.m. Adv.

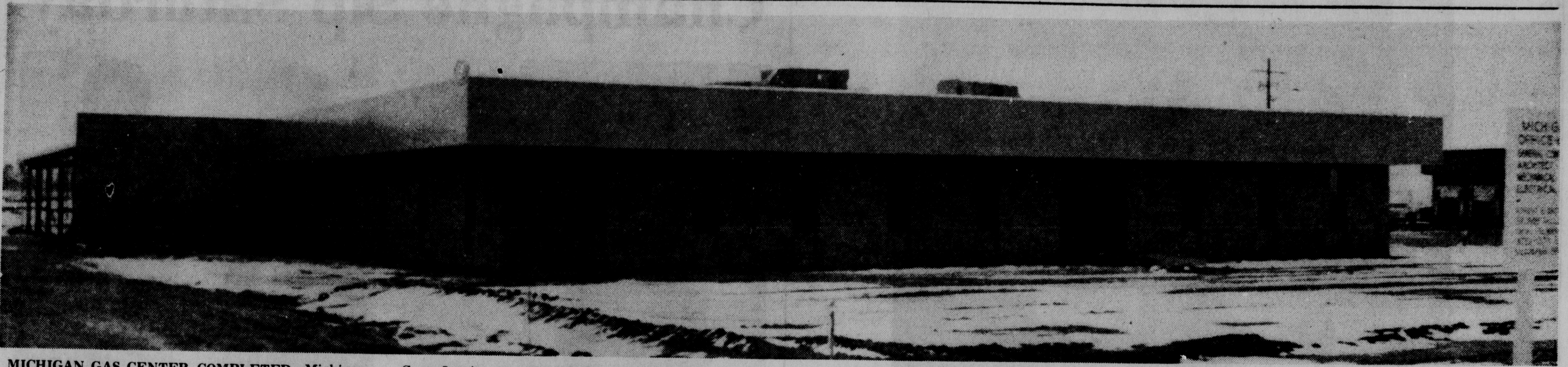


CHAIRMAN HOPEFUL: Robert Strauss, a principal contender for the top job at the Democratic National Committee, tells an interviewer in Washington the present chairman Jean Westwood will be unsuccessful if she tries to name her own replacement. (AP Wirephoto)

THE HERALD-PRESS

Twin City
Highlights

ST. JOSEPH, MICH. WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 22, 1972



MICHIGAN GAS CENTER COMPLETED: Michigan Gas Utilities Co. on Wednesday will occupy its new 23,700 square foot Western division headquarters and Benton Harbor service center on Dewey avenue, north of Meadowbrook road in Pipestone Industrial park.

Gene Lewis, manager of the firm's Benton Harbor district, said a collection office will be retained at 170 Wall street for convenience of customers paying bills. All other operations, including service center at 352 Highland avenue, will locate in the new structure, that

includes 7,800 square feet of office space and 14,000 square feet for housing and servicing of trucks and other vehicles. Move involves about 65 persons, Lewis said. Firm's western division includes districts of South Haven, Grand Haven, Otsego and Benton Harbor.

Michigan Gas is seventh firm to select a site in the 566-acre industrial project. Sid Peterson of Peterson Building Sales was general contractor for this structure. (Pete Mitchell photo)

Check These Dates For Christmas Delivery

Postal Service Lists Holiday Deadlines

The U.S. Postal Service, anticipating it will process about nine billion pieces of holiday mail, has recommended deadlines for sending packages and cards to various destinations.

These deadlines, announced by Benton Harbor Postmaster William Miller and St. Joseph Postmaster Robert McMullen, are as follows:

Friday, Nov. 24, surface mail and space available mail (SAM) to armed forces in Canada and Arctic nations, Greenland, Labrador and Newfoundland; Monday, Nov. 27, SAM items to armed forces in Europe (Belgium, Denmark, England, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Italy, Norway,

Netherlands, Portugal, Spain); and parcel air lift (PAL) mail to armed forces in the Far East (Antarctica, Australia, Burma, Indonesia, Japan, Korea, New Zealand, Okinawa, Philippines, Taiwan, Vietnam).

Thursday, Nov. 30, PAL items to armed forces in Canada, Arctic, and all surface parcels to Alaska and Hawaii.

Friday, Dec. 1, air mail greetings and parcels to armed forces in South and Central America, Near East (Ethiopia, Iran, Israel, Saudi Arabia, Turkey), Far East (Antarctica, Australia, Burma, Indonesia, Japan, Korea, New Zealand, Okinawa, Philippines, Taiwan, Thailand, Vietnam); and Parcel Air Lift to Belgium, Denmark, England, Finland,

France, Germany, Greece, Italy, Norway, Netherlands, Portugal, Spain.

Saturday, Dec. 2, international surface parcels to Canada and Mexico; Thursday, Dec. 7, international surface greeting cards to Canada and Mexico; Friday, Dec. 8, air-mail greetings and parcels to armed forces in Canada and the Arctic; Saturday, Dec. 9, air mail greetings and parcels to armed forces in Azores, Africa (excluding Ethiopia), Congo, Liberia; and international air parcels to Africa, the Near East, and Far East.

Sunday, Dec. 10, surface parcels within the United States (except Alaska and Hawaii); Monday, Dec. 11, air mail

greetings and parcels to armed forces in Europe, South and Central America; Thursday, Dec. 14, international air parcels to Canada and Mexico; international air greeting cards to Africa, the Near East and Far East; Friday, Dec. 15, surface greeting cards within the United States, including Alaska and Hawaii.

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License Plate Collector Has History-Filled Hobby

BH Mail Carrier Covers Globe To Find Rare Items

BY RALPH LUTZ
Staff Writer

Vehicle license plates lining the walls of a restaurant in Colorado caught the eye, and

the envy, of Thomas Lindenberg, about seven years ago.

The sight became a hobby for Lindenberg, who moved to the

Twin Cities three years ago and now is employed as a letter carrier for the Benton Harbor post office.

Today, about 120 plates line a

basement wall in neat rows at the Lindenberg's town house residence at 975 North Shore drive.

Lindenberg doesn't collect just old plates from one place, like Michigan. But, he has a 1914 Michigan plate, the fifth edition since Michigan began issuing plates in 1910—and the last of porcelain manufacture. Starting in 1915, Michigan plates were made of metal.

To Lindenberg, plates from a wide area are valuable, regardless of vintage. He has plates from all 50 states and from U.S. territorial possessions. There are also plates from Canadian provinces and U.S. armed forces plates.

Like most collectors, Lindenberg enjoys studying all aspects of his hobby. And he belongs to an association. In this case, it's the Michigan Association of License Plate Collectors. Lindenberg said there are about 130 such collectors in Michigan, and about 13,000 nationwide.

Every collection has its favorite entry. Lindenberg tends to favor a plate he has from Wake Island in the South Pacific. He said Wake plates are very hard to get.

Also hard to get are armed forces plates from Korea. Lindenberg said only military personnel of colonel or higher were permitted to transport vehicles there. Other armed forces plates were issued from Germany, Italy and France, and Lindenberg has one of each.

Lindenberg's studies have shown how plates changed in size and letter-number combinations over the years.

This state's 1914 plate simply read, Mich., with the year underneath, and five numbers to the right. The Michigan 1939 plate carried one letter, followed by four numbers. Later came two letters and four numbers, followed by the current three-letter, three-



PLATES ARE HIS HOBBY: With vehicle license plates lining wall, Thomas Lindenberg holds one of his favorites in the basement of his home, 975 North Shore drive, Benton township. It's a plate from Wake Island. On table (foreground, from left) are plates from

American Samoa; U.S. Armed Forces, Korea; and a Canadian Northwest Territories 1970 centennial plate. Lindenberg has about 120 plates from far and wide. (Staff photo)



OLD TIMER: This 1914 Michigan license plate was made of porcelain. Collector Thomas Lindenberg said Michigan first issued plates in 1910, and this one was the last year before metal was used. (Staff photo)

Christmas Grocery Money

Salvation Army Taking Applications For Checks

Several hundred area families will have a better Christmas dinner this year due to Salvation Army grocery checks.

A Christmas grocery check program is an annual service of the Salvation Army.

Applications for Christmas grocery checks will be taken at the Citadel, 91 Hinkley street, Benton Harbor, beginning Monday, Nov. 27. The application period will last through Friday, Dec. 15, with hours of operation from 10 a.m. to noon, and from 1 to 3 p.m.

Applications by phone will not be accepted.

Included in the Salvation Army's Christmas program will be a toy sale at the Army's thrift store Nov. 30 from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. The thrift store is located at 686 Territorial road, Benton Harbor.

Monday, Nov. 27, Christmas Kettles will be placed throughout the Twin Cities area, and Christmas War Cry, an Army publication, will go on sale. These activities will last until Dec. 23.

Benton Rejects Rezoning Land For Massage Parlor

A Benton township barber's bid to rezone land across from Fairplain junior high school for a massage parlor was rejected last night by Benton township trustees.

George Bicanich sought to have lots 6, 7, and 8 of the Fairfax addition rezoned from A-2 residential to D-1 com-

mercial. The house on the property at 189 East Napier has been condemned because it is substandard.

Bicanich has been trying to get the land rezoned for months. The Benton township planning commission unanimously voted Nov. 9 that it recommend to the trustees

the land not be rezoned.

Trustees last night unanimously voted against the rezoning. Early arguments against the rezoning by planning commission members were that Bicanich had no specific plans as to what kind of business he would install on the land if it

was rezoned. At the planning board meeting Nov. 9, he said he wanted to build a massage parlor. At last night's meeting, he said he wanted to operate a beauty shop after remodeling the house.

Trustees seemed generally (See back page, sec. 1, col. 7)



HER OWN CHURCH: Gay F. Hayes, 57, of Allegan, poses in front of 89-year-old church she bought after it was abandoned in favor of newer one. "This little church has a lot of memories," she says of building where she attended Swedish Lutheran services as a child. (AP Wirephoto)

Happy Memories For Allegan Woman Her Very Own Church

ALLEGAN, Mich. (AP) — One of the fondest memories of her childhood, Gay H. Hayes says, was skipping across a dirt road every Sunday to worship in a small, white church.

She enjoyed it so much, Mrs. Hayes, 57, says, that last year when her congregation deserted the 89-year-old building for a new facility, she bought the church.

"I want to maintain and preserve it as a shrine," she says. "That little church has a lot of memories."

The Swedish Lutheran church is nestled amid

crumbling farmhouses and tall trees in Allegan, a little farming community just halfway between Grand Rapids and Kalamazoo.

It seats about 100 and has "very hard" pews. It was built in 1883 when Swedish settlers moved into the area to till western Michigan's rich farm land.

It cost the Swedes \$1,000 to build and another \$25 for the land.

The tiny sanctuary shows its age. But that doesn't matter to Mrs. Hayes. "I'm not going to renovate it or anything, just clean it and keep it up."

The church's doors have been opened twice in the past year, once for a festival and another time for a concert of sacred music.

She says she plans to allow the church to be used for an occasional wedding or funeral.

"There's such a quaint and old-fashioned country atmosphere around here," she says. "It's a nice place for a wedding."

"There's one man in town who just can't wait to die so he can have his funeral in here. I think I can wait for mine," she says.

Stacey Doesn't Want 'Private Eye' Job

Lakeshore Chief Against State Order To Check Non-Public Schools

BY GARRETT DeGRAFF
Staff Writer

Lakeshore School Supt. Lionel Stacey is objecting to a state education department order to "check up" on non-public schools.

Stacey said "I'm not hired by the state to do this and I don't think we can or should. This could create bad feelings."

Stacey said he intends to take the order to the Lakeshore school board for consideration

Dec. 11, before taking any action.

According to Stacey, the private schools have not been informed of the order so far.

The order, contained in a letter dated Nov. 13, and signed by State Schools Supt. John W. Porter, lists five areas where public school superintendents are to report on deficiencies within the non-public schools in their districts.

The areas are course of study

offered, teacher certification, enrollment reports, fire and safety standards, and sanitation and health standards.

"I don't think local superintendents should have jurisdiction over private schools in their community," said Stacey.

State law, said Stacey, gives the state superintendent supervision over all non-public schools and gives him the power to hire personnel necessary for such supervision.

Stacey said "I don't think public school superintendents should tell non-public schools what they should do according to what we (public districts) are doing. I don't think it's my position to tell them to enrich their program."

The superintendent acknowledged that local public school personnel are responsible for seeing that all children within their districts are in school. But Stacey said the new order goes beyond verifying enrollment of all children in an acceptable school.

According to an administrator at the Berrien county intermediate school a number of local school officials have indicated they are also "up in arms" over the order and are seeking a clarification of it.

One superintendent, Richard Ziehmer of the St. Joseph district, however, said he didn't object to the order and said he saw no problem in checking for deficiencies.

Ziehmer said his staff would probably telephone administrators of the private schools and ask if they know of any areas in their schools which do not meet state standards.

Lloyd Fales, supervisor for school organization and plant planning for the state education department, said the new order is not intended to require public school officials to inspect for deficiencies in all non-public schools, but only in those where there is reason to believe deficiencies exist.

Fales said the order is aimed primarily at new non-public schools which have sprung up in "certain areas" within the past two years. But he doubted if any in the Benton Harbor-St. Joseph area would be involved.

Fales said local officials were being asked to do the job because the state department did not have the staff to do it.

Local public school officials, said Fales, have long been responsible for seeing that all children in their district are attending a school that meets

requirements of the state's compulsory school law, Fales said.

The only change under the new order, he said, is that now the local officials have been asked to report failings to the state.



LIONEL STACEY
Objects to order

Booher Named Administrator At Whitcomb

Mack K. Booher, 41, has been appointed administrator of the Whitcomb Tower, a retirement residence, James Perkins, president of the Michigan Baptist Homes, Inc. announced today.

Michigan Baptist Homes has shortened the name of the development in the former Whitcomb Sulphur Springs Hotel to the "Whitcomb Tower." There will be 145 units in the new development. It is due to open about Jan. 15.

Michigan Baptist Homes owns and operates three other retirement facilities in Michigan at Detroit, Lansing and Grand Rapids. Booher has been an assistant administrator at Whittier Towers, Detroit and more recently at the Olds Manor in Grand Rapids.

Booher has received training from Michigan State university and is a licensed nursing home administrator. He has a background in business administration with a national variety store chain.

Booher and his associates have been working with professional decorators and technical consultants to preserve the monumentality of Whitcomb Tower while modernizing it for comfort and safety.

The crystal chandeliers, for instance, that once graced the



MAC K. BOOHER

Whitcomb hotel dining room will again highlight the dining room decor. Dinners will be served restaurant style in the retirement center where residents will have a choice of menu.

The sales staff is headed by Paul Christensen. It is available daily for consultation with anyone interested in becoming a resident of Whitcomb Tower.

Booher, his wife and teen-age daughters, Cheryl and Kathy, reside at 3624 Lakeshore drive, St. Joseph.

Molotov Cocktail Cause Of Fire

EDWARDSBURG — An arsonist armed with a Molotov cocktail is believed to have caused a fire that early this morning damaged the exterior of the Edwardsburg village hall, which also houses the police department.

Firemen extinguished the flames within 10 minutes after they arrived on the scene, limiting damage to the back side of the building.

Sgt. John Birong, inside the building with two unidentified persons, noticed a flash behind the building at about 1:10 a.m. Rushing outside, he found wood had been piled near the building and ignited. A beer bottle containing fuel oil was found at the scene.

The department subsequently received two anonymous telephone calls threatening another fire, a department spokesman reported.

The frame building is located at M-62 and US-12. An estimate of the damage was not available this morning.

Paw Paw Seeks To Ease Crowded Classes Year-Around School Under Study

By STEVE McQUOWN

Paw Paw Bureau

PAW PAW — School board members here will be considering a proposal in the next few months on whether to drastically alter the traditional nine-month school year to 12 months.

Such a change has been recommended by a 20-member committee which held its first meeting last April at the urging of the school board. The committee's report was submitted to the board Monday night.

The so-called "45-15" plan is one of several alternatives being considered by the board as a means of relieving crowded classroom conditions and split scheduling for grades

five through eight.

"The work, as far as exploring the 45-15 concept, is done," the chairman of the study committee said Tuesday.

Frank Thompson III of Paw Paw said the committee believes the 12-month school year can be implemented by September if the school board acts soon.

Under the plan, students attend school for 180 days — same as present — with three-quarters of the district's pupils attending at any one time. Each student has a 15-day vacation between each 45 day learning period.

Thompson said he had recommended that children of the same family be kept in the same learning cycles to avoid

totally disrupting family planning for vacations and other events.

The school board has referred the report to the school's administrative staff for a more detailed outline on possible problems which might be involved.

Perhaps the most obvious benefit outlined in the report was the assertion that enrollment could be increased by 500 to 600 students without the necessity of a new building.

The committee, however, cautioned that the plan, if undertaken, should not be considered a permanent solution to building needs.

Consideration of alternate plans to new buildings was started because district voters

in the last year have rejected to major building construction proposals.

Other advantages cited were that, in districts where the plan has been undertaken, the dropout rate has been reduced; school employees are utilized fully; costs remain about the same; bus runs are reduced on a daily basis; and loss of skills because of the current three-month vacation is cut.

One major question is whether Paw Paw is large enough, however, to carry out such a program. Other unanswered questions are:

What is the community attitude toward a 45-15 school year plan?

What aspects of the present plan would require changing, and how much would the 45-15 plan cost compared to present program.

The report was based on reports of the plan's operation in two other districts. They are Northville, Mich., where the plan is used for elementary grades only, and at Lockport, Ill.

Thompson emphasized that only the concept has been explored and the "nitty gritty" work of class schedules for

teachers and students would face the school.

He gave much of the credit for the report to the members of the committee who were:

His co-chairman, Mrs. Carol Maylath and five other district residents, Ann Griffith, Rob Hayes, Phyllis McKenzie, Gladys Rix and Louise Wilkinson; five students, Dennis Abrams, Susan Kaiser, Valerie Kinter, Mike McNeil, Gail Sharp; six teachers or faculty staff members, Bill Carrington, Darrell Crose, Jan Groenland, Jerry Jacher, Dave Snyder, Dean Wells; and two school board members, Richard Burnham and Donald Johnson.



Fairplain Social Security Office Has New Hours

The Benton Harbor Social Security office at Fairplain plaza starting next Monday will operate on new hours, being open to the public from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Sidney N. Manning, district manager, announced the change and said a sizeable amount of Social Security business can be conducted by telephone. This includes filing claims for benefits, reporting change of address, notice of death, stop and start work situations and other events that could affect monthly checks.

The Social Security office telephone number is 927-2441. Manning said the office also has a toll-free number of 695-3876 to serve residents of Niles, Buchanan and Galien.



SEARS GRANT: John E. Small (left), manager of Benton Harbor Sears-Roebuck store, presents two checks from the Sears-Roebuck Foundation to Don Prior, vice president for development and public relations at Andrews University, Berrien Springs. One check was an unrestricted grant of \$1,200, while the other was a library grant of \$800. Andrews is one of the more than 950 private, accredited two-and four-year colleges throughout the U.S. that are sharing this year in \$1,500,000 of Sears Foundation funds.

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Peace Conference Going Well?

Kissinger, Suharto Talk

PARIS (AP) — Henry A. Kissinger paid a brief visit to Brussels today to confer with President Suharto of Indonesia but scheduled more Vietnam peace negotiations this afternoon with North Vietnam's Le Duc Tho.

Indonesia is one of four coun-

tries that have been asked to supervise the cease-fire Kissinger and Tho are trying to work out. Presumably the U.S. presidential adviser went to Brussels to discuss this with Suharto, who is on a tour of European capitals.

Kissinger flew to Brussels

Tuesday night after his second meeting with Tho. He returned to Paris in the middle of the morning.

Kissinger called on Suharto and Foreign Minister Adam Malik shortly before 7:30 a.m. and talked with them about an hour.

An Indonesian spokesman said Kissinger came "on the instructions of President Nixon to convey to President Suharto the latest developments on Vietnam."

He declined to elaborate but called attention to reports that Hanoi and the Viet Cong at last

week's session of the regular semi-public peace talks in Paris had challenged the neutrality of Indonesia as a member of the proposed International Control Commission.

Pointing to the other three (See back page, sec. 1, col. 1)

Chicago 'Five' Win Conviction Reversal

CHICAGO (AP) — Declaring that the trial judge took an "often antagonistic attitude toward the defense," a federal appeals court has overturned the conviction of five antiwar activists in the case of the Chicago 7.

The ruling Tuesday by the U.S. 7th Circuit Court of Appeals climaxed a controversial case which stems from street rioting during the week of the Democratic National Convention here in 1968.

The five antiwar activists who were convicted two years

ago of inciting the rioting were: David T. Dellinger, 58; Renard C. "Rennie" Davis, 32; Abbot "Abbie" Hoffman, 33; Jerry C. Rubin, 33; and Thomas E. Hayden, 32.

They were sentenced to five years in prison and fined \$5,000 each.

But the appeals court ruled that their constitutional rights may have been violated in the bitter four-month trial before U.S. District Court Judge Julius J. Hoffman.

The appeals court ruled that the government could retry the

defendants. But it added: "There is evidence in the record, which, if believed, and inferences favorable to the defendants drawn, would lead a jury to acquit."

Two other defendants in the case, Lee Weiner, 33, and John R. Froines, 32, were acquitted by the jury. All of the seven were acquitted of conspiring to incite the rioting.

An eighth defendant, Black Panther leader Bobby Seale, was severed from the case because of outbursts in the courtroom and the government declined to bring him to trial again. Among other things, Seale had called Judge Hoffman "a racist, fascist pig."

The prelude to the indictments was a convention week marked by marches and demonstrations, the demands and the militancy which led to the bloody beatings and confrontations between antiwar activists and police. There were vicious battles to clear the parks of demonstrators, the pelting of police with rocks and plastic bags filled with urine, the stenchbombling of Chicago's premier convention hotels, and the violent battle

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Ben Franklin Toy Town — Opens Thanksgiving Day 11 A.M. to 9 P.M. Adv.



CONVICTIONS REVERSED: A federal court reversed Tuesday the convictions of five Chicago Seven defendants found guilty of crossing state lines in connection with inciting rioting during the 1968 Democratic National Convention in Chicago. Two judges said the constitutional rights of the defendants might have been violated by Judge Julius J. Hoffman, lower left. Defendants involved, are: top, left to right: Renard O. Davis; David Dellinger and Jerry Rubin. Bottom: Thomas Hayden, center, and Abbie Hoffman, right. (AP Wirephoto)

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Notice

This newspaper will not publish tomorrow, Thanksgiving Day.

City of St. Joseph rubbish collection scheduled for Thursday, Nov. 23, will be picked up Friday, Nov. 24. Adv.

"Mom's Apple Pie" at Shadowland, Sat. Nov. 25, 7-2 a.m. Adv.

Police Warn Of Thin Ice

LANSING, Mich. (AP) — Michigan State Police have warned that early winter ice can be treacherously thin on lakes, streams and other outdoor water areas.

Police report ice breakthrough drownings have claimed the lives of three youngsters so far this month, two at Howell and another at Mancelona.

Police estimate that to bear human weight ice should be at least three inches thick. For snowmobiling the thickness should be four or more inches and for cars it should be from one to two feet in depth.

So far, police said, freezing weather generally has not been prolonged enough to produce reasonably safe thickness.



CHAIRMAN HOPEFUL: Robert Strauss, a principal contender for the top job at the Democratic National Committee, tells an interviewer in Washington the present chairman Jean Westwood will be unsuccessful if she tries to name her own replacement. (AP Wirephoto)

THE HERALD-PRESS

Editorial Page

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Democracy On The Playing Field

Although Thanksgiving has lost another of its many traditions, namely, being the windup of the football season, the TVs will be zooming in sufficient doubleheaders tomorrow to evoke thoughts on one proposed innovation for the game.

This is the giving it back to the players spirit in the sense of reducing the coach to a technical advisor and letting the athletes take over the managerial fundamentals.

The idea is not startlingly new, any more than is the thought of putting Christ back into Christmas.

It's simply innovative because it is being tried out experimentally in isolated instances.

Dave Meggysy of the St. Louis Cardinals and Chip Oliver of the Oakland Raiders first suggested it for the pro sport which they have left, loudly proclaiming the system was stifling them.

Since the Cards and the Raiders have not noticeably altered their standings following their departure their protest leaves the residual doubt as to how much the unhappy player really contributed in the first instance.

At least their squawks compare drastically with the approach of the late Vince Lombardi. Even in losing, an event not too common for that master disciplinarian, his team looked good.

One coach who goes with the player management thesis is George Davis.

Davis played his college ball at the University of Southern California in the early '40s. He and USC were sufficiently talented to go to two Rose Bowl playoffs.

The idea of having the players decide the starting lineups, of enforcing the training rules and taking charge of the other mental gymnastics which coaches regularly arrogate to themselves came to him in his college days.

Davis who played on USC's defensive platoon noted that nobody made much effort to go at a third string fullback during practice sessions.

The bench rider graduated to the San Francisco 49ers where he promptly became a first string linebacker.

Davis and his teammates steered clear of the man because they knew his hitting power was something a Big Bertha might lob at them.

The coaches seemingly were unaware of that potential.

Davis went into teaching and the fairly typical sideline activity of coaching in high school.

During the '60s at St. Helena, Calif., his theory parlayed a 45-game winning streak.

This so impressed the high school people at Willets, Calif., that they lured Davis downstate.

He arrived at Willets in 1969 where he posted a co-championship.

This season just ended has been a nightmare for him and his ideas.

He's been able to suit up 14 or 15 players at the most for each game. Others nominally on the squad are not being

played because Davis does not want to dash parental hopes unduly. Even some of his regulars fail to see much action for the same reason.

His 1969 squad received the self motivation plan with coolness. It had been a loser and assuming the responsibility of regulating itself rather than depending on the coach seemed altogether too chancy.

Why self discipline should bring order out of chaos in '69 and lay an egg subsequently is open to all kinds of guessing among the Willets fans.

Many of them link Davis theory with the Kremlin.

From this distance our own guess is that three years ago Davis had a group of boys possessing the maturity to judge for themselves. And quite likely it was a bunch with considerable inherent ability to move the football and to prevent the opposition from experiencing the same thrill.

This year's crop differs. It voted not to give up anything in the training regimen; and Davis has had to reverse himself on the players nominating the quarterback for each game.

The fans' mutterings to the contrary, Davis views this season as a pit one will encounter in any road he travels and says he has no intention to alter his game plan in its basic outline.

Last year Neil Amdur, a New York City sportswriter, published "Fifth Down," an indictment of football having become an assembly line sport.

Amdur liberally cites Davis' experiment to prove his contention that the players at any level, high school, college or the pros, can better motivate themselves than the best coaching staff.

His thesis is that of the Christian religion, that the individual alone can find God.

It runs head on against the principle that organized effort is superior to a coalition of individual endeavor. Napoleon best expressed it when he said an alliance is almost a guaranteed loser; and we're certain George Washington must have felt the same way about the committee system when he was trying to keep the Continental Congress from telling him how to fight the next skirmish with the British.

Amdur expresses the extreme position to that of a coach like Paul Brown who calls every play.

Brown has enjoyed amazing success with his one-man extremism, though he has yet to propel the Bengals to the enviable position of a perennial threat.

We stick with a middle ground type as exemplified by a Lombardi, a Woody Hayes, an Ara Parseghian or a Bo Schembechler. They are no nonsense taskmasters who train their players to think for themselves in the heat of battle and who restore their confidence which the opponent is bound to shake from time to time.

It's that quality all of us look for. We believe it goes by the name of leadership.

The Motorcycle Hazard

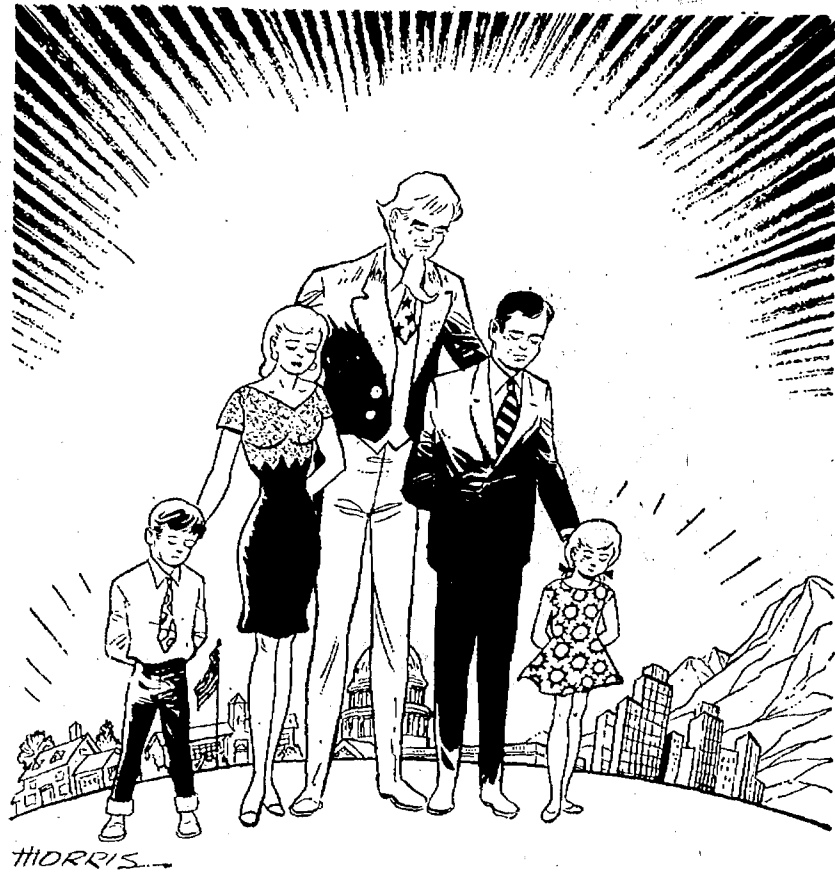
Listen well to this observation by an orthopedic surgeon: "It's almost unbelievable, the loss of limbs in young people, the amputations, the paraplegics, kids who won't walk again." Dr. John A. Perry of Pittsburgh's Mercy Hospital is talking about the price of a swift rise in the number of motorcycles on our streets and highways. Accidents involving these and other two-wheeled vehicles are exacting a heavy toll.

A few comparisons underscore the magnitude of the problem. The overall increase in traffic deaths during the past decade was 44 per cent, but in the same period the motorcycle death toll rose by 223 per cent. While the number killed in all traffic accidents rose by one-half of one per cent last year, the jump in motorcycle and bicycle deaths was eight times that, or four per cent. The 1971 fatality rate for all motor vehicles, according to the National Safety Council, was 4.78 deaths per 100 million miles traveled; for motorcycles the rate was a whopping 20 deaths per 100 million miles.

This does not necessarily justify a roundhouse condemnation of motorcycles as means of travel. The point to stress is that sharper attention must be paid to dealing with the safety problems in this form of travel. Better design, safer driving, tougher enforcement all are of importance. Lacking a concerted effort along these lines, the toll of injury and death seems sure to go on rising.

America's first fog warning device was included in the construction in 1808 of West Quoddy Light, the most northern lighthouse along the rockbound coast of Maine. Sixty dollars were added to the lighthouse keeper's \$300 yearly pay for beating a 500-pound bell with a hammer on frequent foggy days.

Always So Much To Be Thankful For--



GLANCING BACKWARDS

NEW LAW FIRM IN ST. JOSEPH
— 1 Year Ago —
A new Berrien county law firm is starting practice at 816 Ship street, St. Joseph.

Principals in the firm are Atty. Richard J. Globensky, Donald L. Bleich, David M. Peterson and James K. Jesse. All have been practicing in private and public sector in the county. The new firm will be engaged in the general practice of law.

13 SHELTERS HAVE BEEN LISTED
— 10 Years Ago —
Agreements have been signed to use 13 buildings in St.

Joseph as Civil Defense fallout shelters, it was announced today by Raymond J. Gibbs, Berrien county CD director.

The agreements provide for public use of the sheltered area in the event of a national emergency, with the federal government providing supplies designed to feed occupants for two weeks. Buildings involved in the local fallout shelter program are Hughes Plastics, Inc., the YWCA, county jail, court house, Whitcomb hotel, Tip Top Cafe, St. Joseph Savings & Loan, Rahn's Shoe Store, Michigan Children's Aid Society (Chapin Hall), St. Joseph hand shell, Jefferson school, Auto Specialties X-ray department building and Dwan

Canning Co.

FLAMING BERLIN BLASTED AGAIN
— 29 Years Ago —
The RAF hurled tons of destruction down on Berlin again last night, seeking for the second night in succession to knock out the German capital much of it already devastated. The force and weight of bombs dropped last night probably approached but did not exceed the record of Monday when over 2,300 long tons were delivered by approximately 1,000 bombers, nearly all of them four-engine giants.

SEEK JOBS
— 39 Years Ago —
Berrien unemployed are flocking by the hundreds to the registration headquarters here to seek jobs under the civil works administration program. Approximately 2,000 had registered up to noon today.

ON DISPLAY
— 49 Years Ago —
A 350-pound black bear and a 160-pound deer shot by Deputy Sheriff William Berk have been placed on display in the window of the Louis Eckert meat market on Main street.

NEW THEATER
— 59 Years Ago —
Thanksgiving day will mark the dedication of St. Joseph's new \$20,000 theater, the Caldwell, built by J. C. Caldwell, an old resident of this city.

STEAM HEAT
— 81 Years Ago —
The Lake View hotel will be heated by steam in about two weeks. The registers have arrived and are being put in.

Gray Hospitalized
NEW LONDON, Conn. (AP) — L. Patrick Gray, the acting director of the FBI, has been hospitalized for a possible intestinal obstruction, but doctors say there are no plans to operate at this time.

B52's Pound North

SAIGON (AP) — The U.S. Command today announced the heaviest B52 attack of the war on North Vietnam and the loss of two smaller jets, including another one of its swing-wing F111s. Three of the crewmen are missing and one was rescued, the command said.

The F111 was the fourth of the \$15 million planes lost since the controversial all-weather attack bomber returned to combat on Sept. 28. The command said it disappeared before dawn Tuesday while on a solo mission just above the demilitarized zone, and its two crewmen are missing.

The F111 was the 125th American plane the U.S. Command has reported downed in the air war against North Vietnam since the resumption of fullscale bombing last April. A total of 133 U.S. airmen have been killed or captured in these crashes, the command said.

Ray Cromley

Government Too Big



WASHINGTON (NEA) — President Nixon's problem is that the government has become too large and too complicated for any one man to manage.

On leaving office as deputy secretary of Defense, David Packard told associates it was impossible to get the department's vast civilian and military bureaucracy under control. The same problem exists at Commerce, State, Health, Education and Welfare, Labor and Agriculture.

Mr. Nixon is, of course, not the first president to be frustrated by this problem. Presidents Kennedy and Johnson were deeply disturbed by their inability to get a handle on the bureaucracy. They complained that permanent civil servants in the major departments had come gradually to follow independent courses without regard to policy of the administration in power, be it Democratic or Republican.

President Kennedy made a determined but only partially successful attempt to insert his own men at key points throughout the system. Mr. Nixon, less aggressive in this regard, found he had relatively little control over major departments at the working level, and so drew more of the decision-making directly into the White House. In the past four years he has built a sizable staff at 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue loyal to him, subject to immediate transfer or firing and responsible directly to his own key aides.

But the result of this build-up has been the development of a White House staff so large, and involved in so many detailed tasks, that internal coordination has become increasingly difficult. There is

growing worry within the staff itself that the left hand is doing. Members, in fact, are known to have gone to friends in State and Defense to find what others on the President's personal staff were doing.

Mr. Nixon's problem can best be understood by looking at foreign economic policy, which could be the thorniest problem he faces these next four years. The serious consequences of our continued unfavorable balance of payments (insofar as it is due to lagging exports) shows up in higher unemployment. We are becoming perilously dependent on international sources for raw materials. Rising barriers threaten to cut off more world markets.

Despite the attempt at White House coordination, foreign economic policy is so poorly organized as to invite chaos. For one thing, it is split among State, Treasury, Agriculture and Commerce departments and several independent agencies, often working at cross purposes.

Witness the bungles in the important Soviet grain negotiations. Also note that in the very period the White House was making better relations with Moscow a major priority, with special emphasis on trade and economics, the State Department research division dropped or transferred a third of its Soviet specialists, including all of its Soviet trade-economic experts.

Former Treasury Secretary John Connally put it succinctly: "... The conduct of foreign economic policy today is characterized by traits of ponderousness, division of responsibility, rivalry... New organizations — and new missions for old organizations — are clearly required..."

Marianne Means

New South Still Old?



CHARLOTTE, N.C. (KFS) — The nation's editorial writers coped here last week with what one described as "the son of the New South revisited" once again.

Florida Gov. Reubin Askew assured them that there are very few white bigots hiding in the cotton fields any more and that the modern South is tired of listening to racial political appeals. But a few hours later University of Virginia historian Paul Gaston told them that was a lot of bunk. Gaston said the South has softened its rhetoric about race but has not substantially changed its attitude.

The National Conference of Editorial Writers gathered here, in a state which has just elected its first Republican governor in a century, at a time of political transition and crisis for the region. Two-party politics, long anticipated but slow in developing, has finally arrived in Dixie. And what it

means is not clear. Askew, one of the brightest new stars in the Democratic firmament, believes "the South and the rest of the nation are now probably closer in philosophy and attitude than ever before." But does this mean the North, pressed by busing and housing problems, is retreating toward segregation — or the South growing more enlightened about the necessity of giving minorities a fair shot at the good life?

The Republicans' new strength here is based on opposition to the means for achieving integration, if not exactly on racism itself. And it is pretty much a white man's party.

But McGovernism was too much for the North, East, and West as well as the South to swallow, so this year's Presidential election was not a fair test. The Democratic Party cannot afford to nominate again a candidate who represents such a narrow minority that he must write off the South or any other region.

Askew insisted that outsiders who dwell on race in the South are underestimating its new maturity. "Some say the New South is only a gleam in a reporter's eye," he said, "but there's something there."

The trouble with Askew's position, according to Gaston, is that people have been talking about a New South for decades and it still remains just that: Talk. He noted that optimistic predictions about the New South were especially high two years ago, in part because of the election in several Southern states of young progressives, including Askew.

Gaston pointed out that despite these new political leaders the South as a region has continued to lead the nation in numbers of reactionary Congressmen, infant mortality, regressive taxes, and poverty. "The New South creed is a sham and a ruse," he said.



"What happens during a period of peace?
How should I know?"

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MICHIGAN GAS CENTER COMPLETED: Michigan Gas Utilities Co. on Wednesday will occupy its new 23,700 square foot Western division headquarters and Benton Harbor service center on Dewey avenue, north of Meadowbrook road in Pipestone Industrial park.

Gene Lewis, manager of the firm's Benton Harbor district, said a collection office will be retained at 170 Wall street for convenience of customers paying bills. All other operations, including service center at 352 Highland avenue, will locate in the new structure, that

includes 7,800 square feet of office space and 14,000 square feet for housing and servicing of trucks and other vehicles. Move involves about 65 persons, Lewis said. Firm's western division includes districts of South Haven, Grand Haven, Otsego and Benton Harbor.

Michigan Gas is seventh firm to select a site in the 566-acre industrial project. Sid Peterson of Peterson Building Sales was general contractor for this structure. (Pete Mitchell photo)

Check These Dates For Christmas Delivery

Postal Service Lists Holiday Deadlines

The U.S. Postal Service, anticipating it will process about nine billion pieces of holiday mail, has recommended deadlines for sending packages and cards to various destinations.

These deadlines, announced by Benton Harbor Postmaster William Miller and St. Joseph Postmaster Robert McMullen, are as follows:

Friday, Nov. 24, surface mail and space available mail (SAM) to armed forces in Canada and Arctic nations, Greenland, Labrador and Newfoundland; Monday, Nov. 27, SAM items to armed forces in Europe (Belgium, Denmark, England, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Italy, Norway,

Netherlands, Portugal, Spain); and parcel air lift (PAL) mail to armed forces in the Far East (Antarctica, Australia, Burma, Indonesia, Japan, Korea, New Zealand, Okinawa, Philippines, Taiwan, Vietnam).

Thursday, Nov. 30, PAL items to armed forces in Canada, Arctic, and all surface parcels to Alaska and Hawaii.

Friday, Dec. 1, air mail greetings and parcels to armed forces in South and Central America, Near East (Ethiopia, Iran, Israel, Saudi Arabia, Turkey). Far East (Antarctica, Australia, Burma, Indonesia, Japan, Korea, New Zealand, Okinawa, Philippines, Taiwan, Thailand, Vietnam); and Parcel Air Lift to Belgium, Denmark, England, Finland,

France, Germany, Greece, Italy, Norway, Netherlands, Portugal, Spain.

Saturday, Dec. 2, international surface parcels to Canada and Mexico; Thursday, Dec. 7, international surface greeting cards to Canada and Mexico; Friday, Dec. 8, air-mail greetings and parcels to armed forces in Canada and the Arctic; Saturday, Dec. 9, air mail greetings and parcels to armed forces in Azores, Africa (excluding Ethiopia), Congo, Liberia; and international air parcels to Africa, the Near East, and Far East.

Sunday, Dec. 10, surface parcels within the United States (except Alaska and Hawaii); Monday, Dec. 11, air mail

greetings and parcels to armed forces in Europe, South and Central America; Thursday, Dec. 14, international air parcels to Canada and Mexico; international air greeting cards to Africa, the Near East and Far East; Friday, Dec. 15, surface greeting cards within the United States, including Alaska and Hawaii.

Saturday, Dec. 16, international air greetings to Africa, Europe, Central and South America; Tuesday, Dec. 19, international air greetings to Canada and Mexico; Wednesday, Dec. 20, air mail parcels within the United States, and air greetings and parcels to Alaska and Hawaii; and Thursday, Dec. 21, air greetings within the United States (except Alaska and Hawaii).

License Plate Collector Has History-Filled Hobby

BH Mail Carrier Covers Globe To Find Rare Items

BY RALPH LUTZ

Staff Writer

Vehicle license plates lining the walls of a restaurant in Colorado caught the eye, and

the envy, of Thomas Lindenberg, about seven years ago.

The sight became a hobby for Lindenberg, who moved to the

Twin Cities three years ago and now is employed as a letter carrier for the Benton Harbor post office.

Today, about 120 plates line a

basement wall in neat rows at the Lindenberg's town house residence at 975 North Shore drive.

Lindenberg doesn't collect just old plates from one place, like Michigan. But, he has a 1914 Michigan plate, the fifth edition since Michigan began issuing plates in 1910—and the last of porcelain manufacture. Starting in 1915, Michigan plates were made of metal.

To Lindenberg, plates from a wide area are valuable, regardless of vintage. He has plates from all 50 states and from U.S. territorial possessions. There are also plates from Canadian provinces and U.S. armed forces plates.

Like most collectors, Lindenberg enjoys studying all aspects of his hobby. And he belongs to an association. In this case, it's the Michigan Association of License Plate Collectors. Lindenberg said there are about 130 such collectors in Michigan, and about 13,000 nationwide.

Every collection has its favorite entry. Lindenberg tends to favor a plate he has from Wake Island in the South Pacific. He said Wake plates are very hard to get.

Also hard to get are armed forces plates from Korea. Lindenberg said only military personnel of colonel or higher were permitted to transport vehicles there. Other armed forces plates were issued from Germany, Italy and France, and Lindenberg has one of each.

Lindenberg's studies have shown how plates changed in size and letter-number combinations over the years.

This state's 1914 plate simply read, Mich., with the year underneath, and five numbers to the right. The Michigan 1939 plate carried one letter, followed by four numbers. Later came two letters and four numbers, followed by the current three-letter, three-



PLATES ARE HIS HOBBY: With vehicle license plates lining wall, Thomas Lindenberg holds one of his favorites in the basement of his home, 975 North Shore drive, Benton township. It's a plate from Wake Island. On table (foreground, from left) are plates from

American Samoa; U.S. Armed Forces, Korea; and a Canadian Northwest Territories 1970 centennial plate. Lindenberg has about 120 plates from far and wide. (Staff photo)

number series. Changes occur as vehicles increase, along with record-keeping problems.

The years during World War II brought a shortage of metal. Lindenberg's 1946 Illinois plate is of a soybean substance. "It could be eaten by cows," the collector noted. Some states

carry significant designs or slogans, while others make plates in the shape of the state.

Lindenberg said he sometimes writes to states to get plates. However, the hobby usually calls for swapping among members. This is where associations serve. Lindenberg

said he has swapped some plates with a South Haven collector, Alvin Clark, among others.

Lindenberg is a native of Germany, hailing from Berlin. He came here first in 1964, as an exchange student. He became a citizen, served in the

Army and moved here from Colorado. His wife is the former Carol Edom of Benton Harbor.

Looking ahead, Lindenberg said he hopes to expand his collection, and all the nation's of the world provide plenty of opportunity.

Christmas Grocery Money

Salvation Army Taking Applications For Checks

Several hundred area families will have a better Christmas dinner this year due to Salvation Army grocery checks.

A Christmas grocery check program is an annual service of the Salvation Army.

Applications for Christmas grocery checks will be taken at the Citadel, 91 Hinkley street, Benton Harbor, beginning Monday, Nov. 27. The application period will last through Friday, Dec. 15, with hours of operation from 10 a.m. to noon, and from 1 to 3 p.m.

Applications by phone will not be accepted.

Included in the Salvation Army's Christmas program will be a toy sale at the Army's thrift store Nov. 30 from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. The thrift store is located at 686 Territorial road, Benton Harbor.

Monday, Nov. 27, Christmas Kettles will be placed throughout the Twin Cities area, and Christmas War Cry, an Army publication, will go on sale. These activities will last until Dec. 23.

Benton Rejects Rezoning Land For Massage Parlor

A Benton township barber's bid to rezone land across from Fairplain junior high school for a massage parlor was rejected last night by Benton township trustees.

George Bicanich sought to have lots 6, 7, and 8 of the Fairfax addition rezoned from A-2 residential to D-1 com-

mercial. The house on the property at 189 East Napier has been condemned because it is substandard.

Bicanich has been trying to get the land rezoned for months. The Benton township planning commission unanimously voted Nov. 9 that it recommend to the trustees

the land not be rezoned. Trustees last night unanimously voted against the rezoning.

Early arguments against the rezoning by planning commission members were that Bicanich had no specific plans as to what kind of business he would install on the land if it

was rezoned.

At the planning board meeting Nov. 9, he said he wanted to build a massage parlor. At last night's meeting, he said he wanted to operate a beauty shop after remodeling the house.

Trustees seemed generally (See back page, sec. 1, col. 7)



HER OWN CHURCH: Gay F. Hayes, 57, of Allegan, poses in front of 89-year-old church she bought after it was abandoned in favor of newer one. "This little church has a lot of memories," she says of building where she attended Swedish Lutheran services as a child. (AP Wirephoto)

Happy Memories For Allegan Woman Her Very Own Church

ALLEGAN, Mich. (AP) — One of the fondest memories of her childhood, Gay H. Hayes says, was skipping across a dirt road every Sunday to worship in a small, white church.

She enjoyed it so much, Mrs. Hayes, 57, says, that last year when her congregation deserted the 89-year-old building for a new facility, she bought the church.

"I want to maintain and preserve it as a shrine," she says. "That little church has a lot of memories."

The Swedish Lutheran church is nestled amid

crumbling farmhouses and tall trees in Allegan, a little farming community just halfway between Grand Rapids and Kalamazoo.

It seats about 100 and has "very hard" pews. It was built in 1883 when Swedish settlers moved into the area to till western Michigan's rich farm land.

It cost the Swedes \$1,000 to build and another \$25 for the land.

The tiny sanctuary shows its age. But that doesn't matter to Mrs. Hayes. "I'm not going to renovate it or anything, just clean it and keep it up."

The church's doors have been opened twice in the past year, once for a festival and another time for a concert of sacred music.

She says she plans to allow the church to be used for an occasional wedding or funeral.

"There's such a quaint and old-fashioned country atmosphere around here," she says. "It's a nice place for a wedding."

"There's one man in town who just can't wait to die so he can have his funeral in here. I think I can wait for mine," she says.

Stacey Doesn't Want 'Private Eye' Job

Lakeshore Chief Against State Order To Check Non-Public Schools

BY GARRETT DeGRAFF
Staff Writer

Lakeshore School Supt. Lionel Stacey is objecting to a state education department order to "check up" on non-public schools.

Stacey said "I'm not hired by the state to do this and I don't think we can or should. This could create bad feelings."

Stacey said he intends to take the order to the Lakeshore school board for consideration

Dec. 11, before taking any action.

According to Stacey, the private schools have not been informed of the order so far.

The order, contained in a letter dated Nov. 13, and signed by State Schools Supt. John W. Porter, lists five areas where public school superintendents are to report on deficiencies within the non-public schools in their districts.

The areas are course of study

offered, teacher certification, enrollment reports, fire and safety standards, and sanitation and health standards.

"I don't think local superintendents should have jurisdiction over private schools in their community," said Stacey.

State law, said Stacey, gives the state superintendent supervision over all non-public schools and gives him the power to hire personnel necessary for such supervision.

Stacey said "I don't think public school superintendents should tell non-public schools what they should do according to what we (public districts) are doing. I don't think it's my position to tell them to enrich their program."

The superintendent acknowledged that local public school personnel are responsible for seeing that all children within their districts are in school. But Stacey said the new order goes beyond verifying enrollment of all children in an acceptable school.

According to an administrator at the Berrien county intermediate school a number of local school officials have indicated they are also "up in arms" over the order and are seeking a clarification of it.

One superintendent, Richard Ziehmer of the St. Joseph district, however, said he didn't object to the order and said he saw no problem in checking for deficiencies.

Ziehmer said his staff would probably telephone administrators of the private schools and ask if they know of any areas in their schools which do not meet state standards.

Lloyd Fales, supervisor for school organization and plant planning for the state education department, said the new order is not intended to require public school officials to inspect for deficiencies in all non-public schools, but only in those where there is reason to believe deficiencies exist.

Fales said the order is aimed primarily at new non-public schools which have sprung up in "certain areas" within the past two years. But he doubted if any in the Benton Harbor-St. Joseph area would be involved.

Fales said local officials were being asked to do the job because the state department did not have the staff to do it.

Local public school officials, said Fales, have long been responsible for seeing that all children in their district are attending a school that meets

requirements of the state's compulsory school law, Fales said.

The only change under the new order, he said, is that now the local officials have been asked to report failings to the state.



LIONEL STACEY
Objects to order

Booher Named Administrator At Whitcomb

Mack K. Booher, 41, has been appointed administrator of the Whitcomb Tower, a retirement residence, James Perkins, president of the Michigan Baptist Homes, Inc. announced today.

Michigan Baptist Homes has shortened the name of the development in the former Whitcomb Sulphur Springs Hotel to the "Whitcomb Tower." There will be 145 units in the new development. It is due to open about Jan. 15.

Michigan Baptist Homes owns and operates three other retirement facilities in Michigan at Detroit, Lansing and Grand Rapids. Booher has been an assistant administrator at Whitcomb Towers, Detroit and more recently at the Olds Manor in Grand Rapids.

Booher has received training from Michigan State university and is a licensed nursing home administrator. He has a background in business administration with a national variety store chain.

Booher and his associates have been working with professional decorators and technical consultants to preserve the monumentality of Whitcomb Tower while modernizing it for comfort and safety.

The crystal chandeliers, for instance, that once graced the



MAC K. BOOHER

Whitcomb hotel dining room will again highlight the dining room decor. Dinners will be served restaurant style in the retirement center where residents will have a choice of menu.

The sales staff is headed by Paul Christensen. It is available daily for consultation with anyone interested in becoming a resident of Whitcomb Tower.

Booher, his wife and teen-age daughters, Cheryl and Kathy, reside at 3624 Lakeshore drive, St. Joseph.

Molotov Cocktail Cause Of Fire

EDWARDSBURG — An arsonist armed with a Molotov cocktail is believed to have caused a fire that early this morning damaged the exterior of the Edwardsburg village hall, which also houses the police department.

Firemen extinguished the flames within 10 minutes after they arrived on the scene, limiting damage to the back side of the building.

Sgt. John Birong, inside the building with two unidentified persons, noticed a flash behind the building at about 1:10 a.m. Rushing outside, he found wood had been piled near the building and ignited. A beer bottle containing fuel oil was found at the scene.

The department subsequently received two anonymous telephone calls threatening another fire, a department spokesman reported.

The frame building is located at M-62 and US-12. An estimate of the damage was not available this morning.

Paw Paw Seeks To Ease Crowded Classes Year-Around School Under Study

By STEVE McQUOWN
Paw Paw Bureau

PAW PAW — School board members here will be considering a proposal in a the next few months on whether to drastically alter the traditional nine-month school year to 12 months.

Such a change has been recommended by a 20-member committee which held its first meeting last April at the urging of the school board. The committee's report was submitted to the board Monday night.

The so-called "45-15" plan is one of several alternatives being considered by the board as a means of relieving crowded classroom conditions and split scheduling for grades

five through eight.

"The work, as far as exploring the 45-15 concept, is done," the chairman of the study committee said Tuesday.

Frank Thompson III of Paw Paw said the committee believes the 12-month school year can be implemented by September if the school board acts soon.

Under the plan, students attend school for 180 days — same as present — with three-quarters of the district's pupils attending at any one time. Each student has a 15-day vacation between each 45 day learning period.

Thompson said he had recommended that children of the same family be kept in the same learning cycles to avoid

totally disrupting family planning for vacations and other events.

The school board has referred the report to the school's administrative staff for a more detailed outline on possible problems which might be involved.

Perhaps the most obvious benefit outlined in the report was the assertion that enrollment could be increased by 500 to 600 students without the necessity of a new building.

The committee, however, cautioned that the plan, if undertaken, should not considered a permanent solution to building needs.

Consideration of alternate plans to new buildings was started because district voters

in the last year have rejected to major building construction proposals.

Other advantages cited were that, in districts where the plan has been undertaken, the dropout rate has been reduced; school employees are utilized fully; costs remain about the same; bus runs are reduced on a daily basis; and loss of skills because of the current three-month vacation is cut.

One major question is whether Paw Paw is large enough, however, to carry out such a program. Other unanswered questions are:

What is the community attitude toward a 45-15 school year plan?

What aspects of the present plan would require changing, and how much would the 45-15 plan cost compared to present program.

The report was based on reports of the plan's operation in two other districts. They are Northville, Mich., where the plan is used for elementary grades only, and at Lockport, Ill.

Thompson emphasized that only the concept has been explored and the "nitty gritty" work of class schedules for



Fairplain Social Security Office Has New Hours

The Benton Harbor Social Security office at Fairplain plaza starting next Monday will operate on new hours, being open to the public from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Sidney N. Manning, district manager, announced the change and said a sizeable amount of Social Security business can be conducted by telephone. This includes filing claims for benefits, reporting change of address, notice of death, stop and start work situations and other events that could affect monthly checks.

The Social Security office telephone number is 927-2441. Manning said the office also has a toll-free number of 695-3876 to serve residents of Niles, Buchanan and Gallen.



SEARS GRANT: John E. Small (left), manager of Benton Harbor Sears-Roebuck store, presents two checks from the Sears-Roebuck Foundation to Don Prior, vice president for development and public relations at Andrews University, Berrien Springs. One check was an unrestricted grant of \$1,200, while the other was a library grant of \$800. Andrews is one of the more than 950 private, accredited two-and four-year colleges throughout the U.S. that are sharing this year in \$1,500,000 of Sears Foundation funds.

Hoover Ball Rolling Along

ANN ARBOR, Mich. (AP) — Hoover Ball & Bearing Co. has forecast an 11 per cent increase in sales volume and record earnings for the company's fiscal year ending next July.